



# CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## JULY 2004 AGENDA

### ☒ General Waiver

<b>SUBJECT</b>  Request by <b>Corcoran Unified School District</b> for a renewal waiver of <i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section 48661(a) relating to the placement of a community day school on the same site as a continuation high school, and some adult education classes at the <b>Kings Lake Education Center</b> .  Waiver Number: 94-4-2004	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Action</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent</b>

### RECOMMENDATION

☒ **Approval** ☐ **Approval with conditions** ☐ **Denial**

If approved, EC 33051(c) will apply, and the district will not be required to reapply annually if information contained on the request remains the same.

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION AND ACTION

The Board has approved several similar requests in the past to allow the colocation of a community day school (CDS) with another school when the CDS could not be located separately and the district has been able to provide for the separation of students from the other schools

### SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

The Corcoran Unified School District requests renewal of a waiver of *EC* Section 48661(a), which states that a CDS shall not be situated on the same site as a continuation high school.

During the 2002-2003 school year, the District operated its community day school at the Kings Lake Education Center. While some adult education classes were also housed at the Center, no other K-12 education programs were operated at that site.

At that time, the District's continuation high school was housed in an isolated corner of the comprehensive high school campus. However, in April 2003, the District maintained that it was unable to provide adequate support services and administrative supervision to the continuation high school at that site and requested a State Board waiver to permit moving the continuation high school to the Kings Lake Education Center. The Board approved the waiver for a single year to allow the District to demonstrate the efficacy of its colocation plan.

The district maintains that the continuation high school students have been completely separated from the CDS students through the use of fencing that prohibits any access between the two programs, different arrival and departure times, different entrance/exits, and extensive full-time supervision, including an on-site principal,

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classroom aides, and clerical staff. There have not been any negative incidents between students of the two schools.

The local board voted unanimously in support of this waiver request. Based on the strong measures to maintain separation of the community day school and continuation high school, as evidenced by the absence of any negative incidents, the CDE recommends approval of the request to renew this waiver.

**Authority for Waiver:** *Education Code* (EC) Section 33050

**Bargaining unit(s) consulted on date(s):** 2/18/02

**Name of bargaining unit/representative(s):** Corcoran Faculty Association, Wendi Hulbert, President

**Position of bargaining unit(s) (choose only one):**

☒ Neutral ☐ Support ☐ Oppose

The president of the Corcoran Faculty Association, in a letter dated March 23, 2004, stated that they would prefer that the schools be located separately, but that the Association understands that this would not be fiscally feasible. The Association also supports the District's claim that it would not be possible to adequately supervise the continuation high school students if they were located at any other site. For these reasons, the Association has taken a neutral position.

**Public hearing advertised by (choose one or more):**

☐ posting in a newspaper ☒ posting at each school ☐ other (specify)

Corcoran Post Office, City Hall, Pizza Factory

**Public hearing held on date(s):** 3/9/04

**Local board approval date(s):** 3/23/04

**Advisory committee(s) consulted:** Not required - renewal

**Period of request:** 7/1/04 – 6/30/05

### FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)

There is no fiscal impact.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Action Item: Some documentation is available for web viewing. Waiver forms and other hard copy documents are available for viewing at the Waiver Office or State Board Office.